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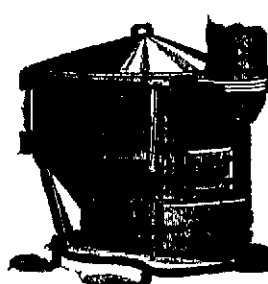
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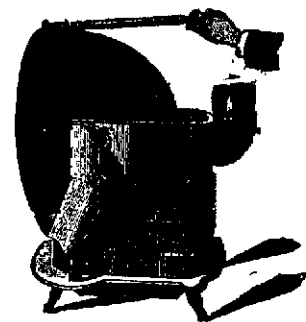
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CALL AND EXAMINE.

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CHICAGO Journal: There is something exquisitely pathetic and simple in the bulletin dictated by General Grant, Easter Sunday, in which he thanked the American people for their sympathy and kindness in his illness, which, he is fully conscious, will prove fatal, and the inevitable end of which he is awaiting with such patience and fortitude as only the greatest minds have manifested in the presence of death. General Grant was always very near to the hearts of the American people. His plain ways, his homely common sense, the absence of pride, egotism and vain glory from his character, his honest and manly life in the midst of them, have familiarized and endeared him to their minds, and they have experienced a yearning sympathy and an affectionate regard for the illustrious invalid and sufferer different from that which they have ever felt when any other of their idols has lingered for days on the borders of the grave. His message to them profoundly affected their sensibilities, and has stimulated to a still greater intensity the profound and almost tearful personal interest with which they are affected by his condition.

Jeff Davis Should be Honored.
Macon Telegraph (Dem.)

At the death of Jefferson Davis, who made one of the best Secretaries of War the country has ever had, Mr. Endicott, or whoever may fill his place, should order the department closed. Not to do so would betray a littleness that cannot be described, and would, at the same time, give the lie to the claim that the election of Mr. Cleveland had killed sectionalism.

If the president keeps on appointing ex-rebels to the most important offices, the people will soon begin to look for another rebellion. It would not look well for an individual to employ men who had stolen his houses and burned his barns to watch them from the depredations of their friends who had just been discharged from the penitentiary; and it looks no better when done by the ruler of the nation. The ex-rebels should be given back seats; there are loyal Democrats enough to hold the offices.

IOWA State Leader: There is no party feeling now in General Grant's own section, for his fellow citizens, whether Democrats or Republicans, cannot fail to remember the services which, beginning at Belmont, continued at Forts Henry, Donelson, Shiloh, Vicksburg and Chattanooga, culminated in the campaign from the Wilderness to Appomattox. These are memories which excite none but patriotic emotions, and about which divisions on party lines would be dissension.

The managers of the New Orleans Exposition have reduced the price of admission during the evening from 50 to 25 cents, with the hope of inducing a larger attendance of the resident population, who so far have displayed but little interest in the show. It is claimed that the exhibits can be seen to better advantage under the electric light than under the glare of the sun.

One Bottle Instead of a Dozen.
"And it took only one bottle to do it," said a gentleman, speaking of Parker's Hair Balsam. "I had a run of fever, and when I got well of that my hair began to fall out so fast as to alarm me. I really didn't know what to do, until one day a friend said, 'Try Parker's Hair Balsam.' That was some months ago. What surprised me was the fact that one bottle was enough. I expected to use a dozen." Clean, highly perfumed, not oily, not a dye. Restores original color.

The roller-skating rink is an educator, from the fact that it enlarges the understanding of all its devotees. After two generations of roller-skating it is estimated that St. Louis shoemakers would not have to cut an ordinary calfskin in making a lady's shoe.

The sale of the Seney collection of pictures in New York netted \$400,000. This is the greatest sale of pictures ever made in the United States, and shows that money is lying around loose when a single picture sells to a Milwaukee man for \$18,200.

Owing to the meagreness of our navy Admiral Jonett and his staff were compelled to depart for Colon on a passenger steamer. This is the only nation in the world which sends an Admiral out to fight as a cabin passenger. We are constantly teaching the effete nations of Europe new things, and couldn't help it if we tried.

The friends of the Hon. George H. Pendleton, without regard to party, will give him a banquet at Cincinnati previous to leaving for Berlin. There has been no appointment made by the President more fit in all respects than that of Pendleton as Minister to Germany. No man among the list of politicians numbers more personal friends than Mr. Pendleton.

There are 200,000,000 Mohammedans in the world.

A Reasonable Request.
The old soldiers of Illinois make a reasonable request in asking the legislature to appropriate \$200,000 to establish a state soldiers' home. They have drafted a bill and sent it to the legislature with these facts:

The board was created by the enactment, which represents 25,000 soldiers. Honorably discharged volunteers should not be treated as paupers. There are about 300 ex-soldiers in the poor-houses of Illinois. These and other worthy soldiers unprovided for cannot obtain admission to the national homes because the latter are full, and because the men themselves were not disabled in the service. There are 334 of Illinois' old soldiers in the national home at Milwaukee, and perhaps as many at Dayton. The legislature will be earnestly petitioned to pass the measure.

The Prevalence of Pneumonia.
Pneumonia is found to be most prevalent in New York among those who are most accustomed to luxury. The physicians complain that they never saw more carelessness exhibited in regard to the health of persons than during the past season. The innovations made in the heating of ball-rooms have rendered it almost impossible at times to properly regulate the temperature. Frequently the heat on a particular cold night would become so unbearable inside the crowded dancing-hall that relief could only be secured by throwing open the windows. This, of course, allowed the wintry draughts to play about the necks and arms of the ladies who wore décolleté costumes. In very many cases the deaths of belles of the ball room have been directly attributed to exposure. The ladies of the present century, the physicians say, are not careful to wrap up thoroughly when they step from the heated hall to the cold coach. A ride of two blocks on a chilly night, attired in a fashionable ball-room costume, with loose wraps, such as society women wear, has often induced an attack which was soon attended with fatal consequences. The society men, too, they say, are extremely careless about their wraps. They seem to dislike the sensible greatcoat, and as soon as the sun makes its appearance the natty serge must supersede it. The frequent changes in the temperature during a single day make a change from heavy to light clothing particularly dangerous.

CONGRESSMAN GREEN, of North Carolina, is what might be called an "offensive partisan," though he will probably not be removed on that account. He has issued a call for a competitive examination of candidates for appointment to a cadetship at West Point, which he has addressed "To the young white men of Democratic proclivities" in his district. That he should be afraid to have his youthful constituents "of Democratic proclivities" compete with their Republican neighbors is probably not to be wondered at, but it was hardly to be expected that he would be afraid to have them compete with their colored playmates over whom they lorded it in childhood,—and yet the terms of his announcement would indicate as much, though he might be unwilling openly to confess it.

I HAVE been afflicted with catarrh for 20 years in the left nostril. It had become chronic, and there was a constant dropping of mucus matter from the roof of my mouth. It extended to my throat, causing hoarseness and great difficulty in speaking, indeed for years I was not able to speak more than thirty minutes, and often this with great difficulty. I also, to a great extent, lost the sense of hearing in the left ear, and of taste. By the use of a few bottles of Ely's Cream Balm I have received more relief than from all other remedies beside. All dropping of mucus has ceased, and my voice and hearing are greatly improved, and will no doubt be entirely cured. James W. Davidson, Attorney at Law, Moonmouth, Warren Co., Ill. April 14, 1884.

A train composed of two cars of gold bullion, three cars of silver, eight cars of silk and four cars of tea is on its way east from California and Colorado.

In Paris a society was recently organized for the purpose of obliterating the word God from all the languages of the world.

It is pretty late for a start, but the Chicago Times comes out late-footed in favor of a widow for the pension office. The Times has heretofore had some reputation as a fighter against the rights of widows.

Over 3,000 children recently died in the Fiji Islands of whooping cough. The malady has become epidemic.

Cardinal Newman has just celebrated his 84th birthday at the Birmingham rectory says the London World.

The name of Postmaster General Vilas rhymes with "mill lass."

Lawrence Barrett will summer at the birthplace of Shakespeare.

The President is civil enough, but the hungry ones do not like his service.

Urm Palmer's Tooth Soap, prepared by Dr. Thos. S. Hoskins & Co., Decatur, Ill. Sold by all druggists. July 27, 1884.

A girl at Sharon, Pa., has the gap, like a chicken.

Turnips weighing from 25 to 30 pounds are said to be very numerous in Manatee county, Fla.

FARM HORSES.

The Advantage of Cooking Their Food Instead of Grinding It.

A young farmer asks whether, in view of the supposed danger of finely-ground meal packing in the horse's stomach, in the form of plastic dough, so as to prevent the free circulation of the gastric juice and thus produce indigestion and colic, it would not be better to boil the grain, causing the starch grains to swell and burst, rendering the grain soft and spongy, so it will not pack together in such solid form as to prevent the operation of the digesting fluid, as in the case of ground grain.

This point is, no doubt, well taken. If the ground grain is to be fed unmixed with cut hay or other coarse fodder. When the grain is thoroughly boiled, it is certainly in a more digestible condition than when ground even very fine, for the starch granules require heat to burst them after grinding, and the heat of the animal stomach is not supposed to be great enough to completely do this, so that by boiling grain it is believed to be made digestible in larger proportion than by any kind of grinding.

The kernels still maintain their form after boiling, and thus leave spaces enough for the circulation of the gastric fluid, but whole grain requires a good deal of boiling to render it soft, and very few are willing to give sufficient attention to it. There is one point in favor of cooking whole grain over cooking meal in kettles. The meal requires stirring to prevent burning on the bottom and sides of the kettle, while the grain does not, as the kernels can not adhere so closely as to prevent the water from saturating the whole mass of the grain. We have known several tests in cooking grain for horses that were doing heavy work in lumbering and the reports were all favorable. One who was using six teams boiled oats and corn (two bushels of oats to one of corn), and estimated that the boiled grain was forty per cent. more effective than whole grain unboiled, and he thought twenty per cent. more nutritious than ground grain, unless the ground grain was mixed with moistened cut hay and allowed to lie in mass until it warmed up under incipient fermentation, and even then he thought the boiled grain the best.

There is another point to be considered in favor of boiled grain, and that is, its emollient and healthful effect upon the stomach. After cooking, whole grain becomes slightly laxative, and, if fed warm, it will have a very beneficial effect upon a cold. We have known horses to be speedily cured of a sudden cold by boiled oats, fed warm. Its effect is quite similar to a warm bran mash. Even boiled grain is better fed with its own bulk of cut hay. This renders the masticated food more porous and spongy in the stomach and likely to insure more perfect digestion.

The question as to the economy of cooking whole grain for horses where many teams are used at some distance from mills for grinding, is worth considering. Let us suppose that twelve horses are to be fed for heavy work, which would require about sixteen pounds per horse, or a hundred and ninety-two pounds of grain per day. The ordinary charge for grinding is ten per cent.; this is in addition to the cost of carrying the grain to and from the mill. This would amount to fifty cents per day. Now there would usually be a stable-boy in such case, and with a common three-barrel kettle set in an arch the stable-boy could cook the grain, and the only extra expense would be for the fuel. It would really cost less than to grind. The lumberman, whom we mention, said he regarded boiling as cheaper than grinding, in his situation, and that it had kept his horses healthy and effective for years, which he regarded as ample compensation. He had not had a case of colic since he fed boiled grain, but previous to using it he had lost three horses with colic.

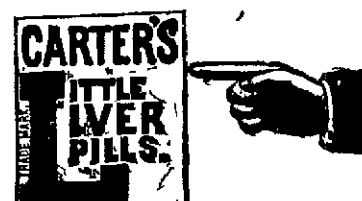
We think in many cases this practice would be quite advisable. Of course boiled food would not be good where horses are driven fast. It is appropriate only for draft horses driven on a walk. It has much the same effect upon a horse as grass, only it is much more concentrated and gives abundant nutriment. The feed of hay also counteracts its loosening effect.—Live Stock Journal.

Alum in Bread.

Persons can test the bread they buy for themselves by taking a piece of the bread and soaking it in water. Take this water and mix it with an equal part of fresh milk, and if the bread contains alum the mixture will coagulate. If a better test is required, boil the mixture, and it will form a perfect clod. Begin and Barber, French chemists, say the long continued use of alum in edibles produces a cough and affects the bronchial tubes, often with very serious results. Professor Lervin says: "After the frequent use of alum in extremely small doses, it has been observed gastric symptoms result, producing loss of appetite, nausea and gastritis."

"Alum," says Dr. Von Klein, of Columbus, "has a tendency to irritate the organs of the stomach. If alum is introduced into the stomach, and it does not meet with sufficient mucous membrane, the stomach will positively be more or less affected, and this in the course of continued abuse is necessarily injurious." An easy and simple plan to detect alum in baking powder is to dissolve a teaspoonful or more in an equal amount of milk and water. Boil a few minutes, and if the powder contains alum a curd will at once form. Grocer's Journal.

It is a good plan, when poisons are kept in the house, to run a few pins through the cork with the points upward. This will prevent the bottle from being mistaken for other bottles in the night. If the stopper is a glass one, a cloth bandage might be bound around it, with short pins point outward passed through it. Some simple precaution of this kind might have prevented many distressing accidents.—N. Y. Examiner.



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LOCAL NEWS.

DON HARDY is now at Blue Mound, managing the Armstrong livery stable, lately purchased by B. Z. Taylor, of this city.

PROV. BRACK has closed his revival labors at Quincy. He secured over 200 converts, who united with the Christian church.

WATSON to Congressman Rowell for sorghum and tobacco seed. He has a supply on hand received from Washington.

The city of Jacksonville will contract for 1,000,000 brick, to be used in paving the streets of that city this summer.

C. A. TUTTLE has purchased the Central Illinois land south of the city gravel bank.

The Republicans have a good working majority in the county board. It now stands 11 to 9 Republican, same as last year.

There are now but three Republicans in the field for circuit judge—O. B. Smith, J. W. Wilkin and J. F. Hughes. Davis is off the track.

Gov. OGLESBY has given his assent to a change in the rules of the penitentiary at Joliet, which leaves it optional with convicts to attend religious worship or not.

LITTONFIELD is overrun with tramps. They come in bands of twenty or more, break into stores and dwelling houses, and plunder everything they lay their hands on.

There was a reward of \$50 offered for the recovery of the Bathany horse, stolen by George McDonald. The money was divided between Captain Hewes and Officer Hartley, who caught the thief.

At Danville a saloon-keeper was convicted for selling liquor on election day. He was fined \$10 by the city. Now the state will take him in charge and give him another roast.

A BILL now before the Illinois legislature which provides for fining miners \$20 in every instance when they make false representations in regard to their age to saloon-keepers for the purpose of obtaining intoxicating beverages.

J. W. DONOVAN, in *The Current* of April 11, draws a pleasant picture of "Lincoln and His Law Office," revealing the "genius of greatness" in the martyr president.

GOVERNOR OGLESBY Wednesday pardoned E. F. Goodspeed, the murderer of a man named Tontz, in Bloomington, in 1879. He had been sentenced to twenty-seven years imprisonment.

It is understood that Mr. T. P. Roddy will put up another two-story frame house on his lot, at the southeast corner of West Cerro Gordo and North Church streets, between his own house and that of J. E. Kinney's residence.

ILLINOIS in 1612 belonged to Spain; in 1680 to France; in 1763 to England, and in 1776 it was surrendered to the United States. In 1778 the legislature of Virginia organized a county and called it Illinois.

EBEL & Co. will soon give us a new city directory, with the addition of a county directory, both in one, for the same old price. This will be a directory of great value. The books ought to sell rapidly.

COL. D. J. BLOOM, formerly of this city, was a candidate for alderman in the 7th ward at Springfield on Tuesday. Mr. Phillips, Republican, opposed the Colonel, and got 220 majority. The Colonel was not as lucky as E. G. Tucker, who was elected justice.

The state meeting of the Illinois Art Unions will be held at Peoria in May, two days after the Theodore Thomas musical festival is given there. The Decatur art classes will have accredited delegates and also visitors at the meeting.

GEN. ALVIN P. HOVY, in *The Current* of April 11, under the caption of "Purifying the Ballot," shows that such existing laws as require governmental officers to swear they have not corrupted voters are inoperative for want of penalty, the Holman Bill of last congress, should become a law, because it imposed penalties for infractions, and would therefore be found efficient.

The stage at the tabernacle has been greatly decreased in depth. The old club room has been torn away and the stage set back against the west wall. It is but eleven feet deep, but the width is the same as before. There is space on the stage for a lecturer to move about, for an organ and a choir.

GEORGE A. HILL, sometimes called "The Senator," a prominent colored man of Bloomington, was on Tuesday last elected a justice of the peace. He ran 217 votes ahead of his democratic opponent. He is 39, is married, and has several children. Justice Hill has many Decatur friends who will rejoice over his triumph. He has heretofore been a barber at Bloomington. Some years ago he graduated from the Wesleyan law school.

Some three years since John R. Skelton, near Lincoln, planted in a little pond some thirty German carp, furnished him by the United States fish commission. A year ago he tried one of them at dinner, and he declares he never ate better. Early this spring he went to the lake to look after things, and to his surprise he found lying dead around the sides of the bank 625, some of them weighing ten and twelve pounds.

You can buy Planters and Cheek Rovers, warranted as good as the very best, for \$45, of Arober & Locher. Hard times prices. apr2-wtf.

A FINE line of children's Suits at Cheap Charley's.

From Friday's Daily.

The trial of Nelson and Lawson Bricker, of Friends Creek township, charged with taking away a team of horses and with assault to murder on the night of Feb. 21st, was concluded in Justice Curtis' court this (Friday) forenoon. A team disappeared on the night stated, and when Henry Wicks and Allen Jones were standing in the road in front of the Bricker house inquiring about the team, a revolver was fired out of an upper window by one of the Bricker boys, and Henry Wicks testified that he heard the bullet whistling past his head. Allen Jones dodged. The bullet struck the ground without hitting any one. The team was found some distance away. The arrests followed. The Bricker boys admitted that the pistol was fired but that the bullet, as was intended, went into the ground near the house, and not anywhere near the road. There were ten witnesses for the People and fifteen for the defendants. The lawyers decided not to argue the case, and while the court room was crowded with friends of all parties, Justice Curtis quickly disposed of the matter by stating that he considered the evidence insufficient to hold the accused, and they were accordingly discharged. The defendants and their friends were so pleased with the decision that many of them yelled lustily and there was hand-shaking all around. W. C. Johns and Thos. Lee and also the court being forced to submit to the pump-handle act. The general feeling seemed to be that the decision was correct. The costs in the case foot up over \$80. The fees of Constable Sprague amount to \$79.35. He traveled over 700 miles to summon witnesses. But as the case went against the People of course the costs are lost to parties interested.

Davis May Will Build.

S. Davis May has purchased the vacant lot on the northwest corner of West Main and College streets, paying Ichabod Baldwin about \$1400 for the same. The lot has a frontage South on West Main street of 50 feet. Mr. May will put a fine dwelling on the lot, to cost about \$3,000. It was reported at one time that John Swearingen had bought that corner, but the agreement fell through in some manner.

Death from Glanders.

William Donnelly, a farmer living near Urbana, died yesterday from glanders contracted from his horses. His wife and daughter are both sick, and it is feared that they may have been infected. The state veterinarian has killed two of the horses and placed the farm under quarantine. The same thing has been done on another farm, west of Champaign. There are several cases of glanders near Clinton.

Fine Stock for Macon County.

At Hon. H. M. Cochran's sale of blooded cattle, held at Chicago on the 7th and 8th inst., Samuel Weaver purchased a Hereford, T. Scroggins two Herefords, Oliver Gibson a Short-horn and a Hereford, and L. P. Keller purchased a Polled-Angus. The stock are all fine specimens of their respective breeds, and were mostly secured at long prices.

The Town Elections.

Below is the result of Tuesday's election in townships reported on the 8th: AUSTIN—Supervisor, L. L. Hudley, rep.; town clerk, George Johnson; assessor, L. O. Davis; collector, A. H. Hawyard; commissioner, Joshua Hubbard; justices, George Johnson and E. A. Tharrt; constables, E. B. Burkman and John Bigger.

OAKLEY—The successful candidates were: Supervisor, H. Mancke; town clerk, J. H. Calves; assessor, J. M. Kuoker; collector, James Costello; commissioner, Ross Likens; justices, S. P. Nicky and T. M. Keller; constables, H. D. Easer and G. W. Lichtenberger.

WEAVERLAND—Hiram Ward was elected supervisor; A. F. Hopkins, rep, justice of the peace. There was a tie for clerk, and in casting lots the Republican won.

The officers elected in Maroa township on the 7th, were: Supervisor, M. P. Funk; clerk, W. H. Austin; assessor, David F. Braden; collector, Frank Potter; constables, David Hoff and J. B. Parker; justices, Joseph Jones and W. F. Crawford.

The Macon township election resulted: Supervisor, R. H. Woodcock; clerk, W. W. Tobey; assessor, M. Giblin; collector, J. D. Hemphill; commissioner, George Russell; justice, F. M. Chamberlain and A. Daggett; constables, James A. Cook and Wm. Hays. It was a Republican victory.

It is stated that a few days since it was necessary to take up some street pavement in Springfield which had been down but two years and a half. When the layer of boards under the blocks was reached much of it was found to be so rotten that it could not be put back, while most of the remainder had to be restored. The city authorities were repeatedly warned against the use of wood for street paving, but they persisted in using it, and now the property owners will have to bear the consequences.

The Wabash road has issued a notice to its agents instructing them to maintain rates, and telling them that there will be no deviation from rates, either west-bound or east-bound. A similar notice has been issued by the Pennsylvania road, in which agents are also informed that mere hearsay evidence will not be considered sufficient proof to cause its agents to maintain rates, and that in case agents hear that a competitor is selling tickets at less than regular rates they must buy such a ticket to be produced as proof.

The Ladies Dressing

Is the only polish that will keep kid shoes from cracking. Powers & Haworth sole agents.

WAKED UP THE WRONG MAN.

Senator Rogers Squelches Senator Streeter in Short Order.

There was a little breeze at the meeting of the Senate Committee on Agriculture at Springfield on the 9th, of which committee Senator Rogers, of this city, is chairman. Senator Streeter, Democrat, tried to get the best of Mr. Rogers, but he soon learned that he had waked up the wrong man. The Chicago papers devoted considerable space to the spat and what caused it. The Chicago Times said: "The debate was very laughable, and Rogers created a good deal of amusement by the manner in which he stood off the gentleman from Merceer and succeeded in squelching him."

The Chicago Inter-Ocean of yesterday contained the following in reference to the matter:

It had been some time since Mr. Streeter had done anything to call public attention to himself beyond the mere daily vote for John C. Black for senator, and he felt that it was his part to no longer endure. The attention of his constituency had got to be called to his existence in the Senate as well as in the joint assembly, so he arose at a meeting of personal privilege respecting his "piggy-sow" bill. He proceeded to state that early in the session he had introduced a bill, which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture, of which Senator Rogers was chairman, and that the committee had not taken action upon that bill yet. He moved that the bill be recalled from the committee and placed before the Senate for consideration.

Senator Rogers, metaphorically speaking, took the starch out of Mr. Streeter's proposition in a short time and showed the animus of Streeter's motion. He showed that there had been held nine meetings of the Agricultural committee, three of which had been held during the past ten days, and that the last meeting had been held on a date of Streeter's own making, and that Streeter, who is a member of that committee himself, had never been present except at one meeting. Rogers warned up with indignation at the reflection cast upon him by Streeter's motion, and exonerated the would-be champion of the little bill in fine style. He showed that the committee had had several meetings, and that it was almost impossible to get a quorum. The committee had adopted a rule that not less than nine members should constitute a quorum, and that no bill could be properly considered by less than a quorum. He also showed that Mr. Streeter had insisted upon the consideration of the bill by four members, and that he (Rogers) had refused to act unless a quorum was present.

Streeter essayed a reply in a specious sort of way, but acknowledged that he had never been before the committee but once, and offered to withdraw his motion.

Further Whittling thought he would pour oil upon the troubled waters by moving that the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, three of which had been held during the past ten days, and that the last meeting had been held on a date of Streeter's own making, and that Streeter, who is a member of that committee himself, had never been present except at one meeting. Rogers warned up with indignation at the reflection cast upon him by Streeter's motion, and exonerated the would-be champion of the little bill in fine style. He showed that the committee had had several meetings, and that it was almost impossible to get a quorum. The committee had adopted a rule that not less than nine members should constitute a quorum, and that no bill could be properly considered by less than a quorum. He also showed that Mr. Streeter had insisted upon the consideration of the bill by four members, and that he (Rogers) had refused to act unless a quorum was present.

The Official Canvass.

The supervisor, collector and assessor met at the Town Clerk's office on yesterday afternoon for the purpose of canvassing the township vote, as required by law, when the following persons were declared duly elected to the offices set opposite their respective names:

A. T. Hill, Supervisor.	James Freeman, Assistant Supervisor.
Joseph Michl, " "	John Giblin, " "
John A. Williams, Town Clerk.	John A. Smith, Assessor.
Harvey Mahannah, Collector.	Samuel Wetzel, Constable.
Zora W. Harris, " "	J. William Carter, " "
John McWhinney, " "	Hiram Dillehunt, " "
John M. Lowry, Justice of the Peace.	B. McGORRAY, Clerk.
B. McGORRAY, " "	I. O. Ryman, " "
A. C. Stevens, " "	Tru H. Curtis, " "
Thomas Fields, Poundmaster.	

Nearly all of the above officers-elect have qualified and taken possession of their offices.

Notice.

Congressman Rowell, of Bloomington, is in receipt of a large quantity of sorghum and tobacco seed from the Agricultural Department at Washington, and he will send portions of both seeds to any resident of Macon county who will forward his address. Send your name to Congressman Rowell, Bloomington.

He Declines.

The following may be taken as authoritative, as it appeared in the Danville News of the 9th, the home of Judge Davis: Since Judge O. L. Davis has declined to run for Circuit Judge, is there any other Danville lawyer who would like to make the race, in order to keep the district level?

From Thursday's Daily.

Held to Bail.

The prosecutions growing out of the village election at Maroa on Monday, have ended badly for two of the citizens of the town. The trial was had yesterday, W. C. Johns appearing for the people. George Elliott was charged with inducing a voter to leave the town, and Henry Willis with voting illegally. Both were convicted before the justice, and each was held to await the action of the May grand jury. Both give bonds, Marian Gullett was acquitted.

Wash Wins.

The tie on the vote for Supervisor in Mt. Zion township was settled Wednesday afternoon, when Charley Fletcher and Wash Smith cast lots to settle the matter. Mr. Smith was the winner. This gives Mt. Zion a democratic member of the board, which stands 11 to 9 Republican.

Chief Betzer for Clerk.

The announcement of Mr. Cliff. Betzer as an independent candidate for City Clerk is made to-day. Mr. Betzer has been doing clerical work in the Wabash freight office for the past six years, is a fine penman, a good book-keeper and a business qualifications which specially fit him for the office. Cliff is very popular with all of his many acquaintances and will make a splendid race for the place. Cliff is on the track to stay.

Look at Archer & Locher's advertisement of their Cheek Rower for any planter.

The Winter Wheat.

The late reports of the Illinois Department of Agriculture leave no room for doubting that the growing crop has been seriously damaged by the protracted cold, dry weather in March. In some localities the reporters assert that the wheat was damaged in January when the ground was bare of snow, and the plant was exposed to the extreme low temperature that prevailed during that period. In fact the April condition of winter wheat in Illinois has not been more unfavorable for years than this season, as is shown by the report of nearly six hundred experienced correspondents of the Illinois Department of Agriculture, who are so distributed throughout the state as to enable them to examine the condition of the growing crop in each locality. The wheat area of the state during the past ten years, has averaged 2,637,434 acres which has returned an average yield of 34,769,518 bushels. The area seeded to winter wheat last fall in this state was 2,317,291 acres, a decrease of 405,472 acres as compared with the preceding year. The season is backward, and the damage to wheat by winter killing cannot be definitely determined until the plant has had some warm rains and growing weather. In some of the southern counties, in not a few instances, one half or more of the area is reported winter killed.—Springfield Journal, 10th.

The Difference.

The Hon. Gus. Hill, colored Republican, was elected justice of the peace by the Republican party of Bloomington by 217 majority over his Democratic competitor, while Rev. C. B. Smith, colored mugwump, candidate for the Liberman mission, has returned home from Washington and don't know what the policy of President Cleveland toward his race is going to be. As showing how the two parties treat the colored people, this simple statement of facts is enough without comment.—Bloomington Pantagraph.

Blue Mound Item.

Ed. Hamilton, a farmer living 4 miles west of here, cut off the thumb from his left hand on the 8th inst., while chopping stove wood. Dr. Waldron went out and stopped the flow of blood and dressed the wound. Patient getting on all right. Reporter.

PORTABLE electric lamps are coming into use. A primary battery is placed in the lamp standard, and the glow appears on a burner similar to that of oil lamps. The battery consists of a packet of chloride of silver, two thin zinc plates and a weak solution of caustic potash. This produces a light of twelve candle power, and will burn for twenty-four hours, at the end of which time there is no waste of the elements, but the chloride of silver becomes converted into silver and needs revivifying.

In the county court to-day the report of the sale made by Assignee Hatch of the hardware stock of R. W. Weld was approved by Judge Greer. The stock and fixtures brought \$3,492.10, and is considered a good sale.

PERSONAL MENTION.

John Stabler and bride will make their home at 778 West Decatur street.

W. H. Bramble will start for New Orleans about the 19th of the present month.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook have departed for Los Angeles, California, where they will reside permanently.

Charles W. Freeland was elected Supervisor of Milan Township.

Born, on April 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Jones, East William street, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Brown, on the 10th, at 955 West Main street, a 10 pound boy.

A. H. Corman, formerly a Decatur citizen, has started a new paper at Colorado Springs, Colo. It is named *The Hour*.

Henry Churchman served as constable for 32 years. He suffered his first defeat on Tuesday.

J. F. Reynolds has returned from Peru, Ind., where on Monday night he organized a Knight of Labor Assembly of 300 members.

H. J. Terry, of Zanesville, Ohio, general manager of the steam Bakery, is now in the city, and will reside here permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Hower are home from their trip to New Orleans and Florida. Mr. H's health is greatly improved.

Harry Lytle will retire from the post office on May 1st, and seek some other occupation. His successor has not yet been selected.

Dr. W. J. Chenoweth and grandson, Willie, will visit the New Orleans Exposition this month. The Doctor will also attend the Medical Convention there.

Miss McCoy is home from Chicago, and is prepared to introduce all the latest fashionable kinks in trimming hats and bonnets. She will be found at Mrs. K. Elstein's millinery store.

Capt. Bryant, of Panama, has sent us a long article on the Battle of Shiloh, giving many facts in connection with that memorable struggle, which may appear in these columns ere long. The Captain says the attack by the rebels was anything but a surprise.

John Osgell, the justice elect at Nimble, visited the city yesterday. A year ago John was elected police magistrate, but it was for one year only, and he did not qualify. He was put in for four years this trip, and he has decided to accept the responsibility and perform the duties of the position.

Lincoln (Neb) News: "M. B. Pratt, traveling merchant from this city, has just returned from a two weeks' commercial tour to prosperous towns along the Nemaha and Republican valleys. He reports trade in dry goods, notions, etc., first-class all along the line, the country full of money, fat cattle and emigrants, and every road leading west lined with schooners headed for sunset." Mr. Pratt was formerly in the prairie business in Decatur and is a son of E. B. Pratt.

The Weekly Republican.

Entered at the post office at Decatur, Illinois, as second class mail matter.

Gen. Grant was able to be up and dressed yesterday, and remarked to his family that he felt better than at any time within the past two weeks.

Some of the Ohio papers are predicting a Republican majority of 80,000 in that state next fall.

A Southern Bourbon paper says that President Cleveland is endeavoring to found a new party, and suggests that it be called the surprise party.

The report of the Labor Bureau of Castle Garden, New York, says, the demand for farm hands exceeds the supply, but we have more teachers, professors and doctors on hand than we know what to do with.

The Chicago Journal very truthfully remarks that the Republicans, in order to achieve success in Chicago, are compelled to fight two battles—one at the ballot-box and another before the courts.

The Review in spite of our repeated warnings, continues to see visions in which the Decatur post office cuts a prominent figure. Poor man, he seems to "have 'em bad."

Ex-President Archer has returned to New York, and is now a lawyer again. Great country, this, where a man can so easily and quickly change his occupation.

The Stillman House, an apartment house on Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, O., of which Col. W. H. Harris, formerly of this city, is one of the owners, was injured by fire on Sunday, to the extent of \$50,000.

JAMES D. Fish, the convicted bank president of New York, applied yesterday to the United States court to be admitted to bail, but the court denied the motion, and Mr. Fish will have to go to jail like any common thief.

The Russian government has ordered from a Troy, N. Y., manufacturer of knit goods 25,000 dozen undershirts. Verily, it's an outrageous breeze that does not bring comfort to anybody.

The United States Grand Jury at Springfield has returned an indictment against Gen. J. N. Reese for "presenting false and fictitious claims against the government" while acting in the capacity of Deputy U. S. Marshal. Gen. Reese gave bond for his appearance, with Col. Chas. F. Mills as surety.

The case of the People vs. Mackin, Gallagher et al, was called in the criminal court of Cook county yesterday, before Judge Hawes, and upon the presentation of an affidavit setting forth that the court was prejudiced against the defendants the venue was changed to Judge Moran's court, where the trial was set for May 27th. It is a singular coincidence that Judge Hawes is a Republican, while Judge Moran is a Democrat.

CARTER HARRISON is getting desperate. His organ, the Chicago Herald, has started a wild story about a reported intention upon the part of his opponents to organize a vigilance committee, the evident purpose of the "gang" being to create opposition to the committee on public safety—an organization which is as far removed from a spirit of anarchy as it is possible to imagine, but it is committed to the policy of opposing the methods of Mr. Harrison and his "gang," which accounts for the milk in the coconut.

Yesterday the Prince of Wales and his party were subjected to an exhibition of Irish displeasure at Cork and other places visited in Ireland. The demonstrations took the form of hissing and hooting, and in the effort of the police to disperse the crowds several persons were more or less beaten and bruised up. Among the injured were several Irish members of parliament. There was much uneasiness and excitement in London last night, and fears are entertained lest there might be an outbreak in that city.

Death of Representative Shaw.

Once more and for the third time, death has laid its hand upon the General Assembly. The Hon. J. Henry Shaw, Representative from the thirty-fourth district, was found dead in his bed at the Palace Hotel in Springfield on Sunday. He had been in very poor health during the entire time of the session, and at times was unable to get to the capitol building. His death is attributed to heart disease.

The servant tried to rouse him by knocking on the door after 10 o'clock, and after repeated attempts they notified the clerk of the hotel, who ventured to take a look through the transom over the door. Discovering that Mr. Shaw was dead, he forced the door. The deceased was lying upon his back with two pillows under his head, and with his hands folded across his breast. A physician and the coroner were summoned, and after a brief examination it was decided that Mr. Shaw had died of heart disease.

Mr. Shaw was a resident of Beardstown, Cass county. He was born in Boston, Mass., July 25, 1825. He was bred to the mercantile business, but afterward chose the profession of law. He was always an active participant in politics and was for many years a member of the Republican party. He joined the Greeley forces in 1872 and had remained with the Democratic party ever since. He was a member of the Thirty-second General Assembly in 1881, and was sent to the present Assembly by the Democrats of his district last fall. His death, though sudden, was not altogether unexpected by his friends, who were fully aware of the precarious condition of his health. His family are spending the winter in Florida.

Mr. Shaw was a very quiet member of the House, but was regarded as an able man. He seldom spoke and then only upon some measure in which he was personally interested. He was highly respected and had the kindest feelings of all his fellow members. His remains will be taken to Beardstown.

Gov. Oglesby has issued a proclamation for an election to fill the vacancy.

"BUFFALO" MILLER, President of the Western Whisky Pool, in an interview with a reporter of the Chicago Tribune, the other day, said of the operation of high license in this state: "It has lessened the number of saloons, brought a more responsible class of men into the business, and done away with the sort of saloon-keeper who was an abomination to the community as well as the distiller or jobber of whom he bought his liquor. The Harper law especially had been satisfactory, and the movement on foot at Springfield for its repeal was so weak that its supporters did not dare press it."

The latest news from London is to the effect that the explanation of the Russian Government as to the recent conflict at Pundjeh, is not considered satisfactory by the English Cabinet, and that the preparations for war are going on without cessation. There is also a rumor afloat that the Russian troops on being pushed forward into the disputed territory at various points, and it is thought that Sir Edward Thornton, the British minister at St. Petersburg, has been ordered to demand an explanation of this fact from the Russian government.

W. S. TALMADGE, of Milwaukee, an authority on crop reports and grain production, says the wheat crop of the coming year, even with good conditions from this out, will fall far behind that of last year. This deficit Mr. Talmadge places at 100,000,000 bushels. Should the present disturbed relations between England and Russia result in a general war, these 100,000,000 bushels would be badly needed.

Russia is said to be taking advantage of England's inaction by strengthening her position and making preparations for opening the way to Herat. In the meantime the belligerent powers are suing for the friendship of Turkey, but while all this is true both sides keep up their preparations for war, and each power claims that the other is insincere and playing for time.

INSANITY is on the increase. Statistics show this. Many cases are brought on by overwork, anxiety, excitement, mental trouble and nervous prostration; it is also inherited. Invariably sleeplessness and constipation manifest themselves before the disease becomes insane. Constipation induces dyspepsia, jaundice, bad breath, pimples, low spirits, headache, etc. Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic breaks constipation, thereby curing these diseases. Price 50 cents. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

THERE was an interesting time in Haines' Happy Household at Springfield yesterday. The committee appointed to investigate the speaker's pay-roll of employees made a report recommending the discharge of two clerks, six policemen, fifteen pages and sixty janitors. Haines took the floor and in a scathing speech reviewed the report and the circumstances of the appointment, charging the excess of employees to the solicitude of members for places for their friends. He held up Dill (Dem.) the Chairman of the Investigating Committee, in particular, and said Dill had asked for eight appointments.

Dill replied at length, abusing Haines roundly and calling him a "political hermaphrodite and political harlot." He said if Haines said he asked for anything illegal, he (Haines) is "a liar and scoundrel." In his further review of the matter, Dill referred to the action of the Speaker as being a "downright robbery of the tax payers, for which the Democratic party would be rebuked at the polls at the next election by 250,000 majority, if allowed to continue."

After the discussion the report was adopted by a vote of 84 to 46, the Republicans voting almost solidly for it. At the joint session of the two houses only one vote was cast for senator, that of Streeter, who voted for Black.

The mind of our neighbor of the Democratic organ runs principally to postoffices, not excepting even those located in other and distant places. The defenceless woman who holds the office at Griggsville comes in this morning for a dose of our neighbor's wrath, and he boldly accuses her of pleading "the baby act." While knowing nothing of the merits of the case we are willing to venture the guess that there is some big hungry baby of the male persuasion that is after the place, and that the people of Griggsville know better what sort of person they want to handle their letters than any outsider possibly can, even though possessed of the phenomenal knowledge of a Democratic editor.

It is hinted that Secretary Lamar may have personal reasons for demanding the removal of Miss Sweet. That when his greatest friend, Jacob Thompson, of fragrant memory—in whose honor the stars and stripes were recently lowered, was trying to carry out his plans to burn northern cities and release rebels from northern prisons, his efforts at Camp Douglas were mainly defeated through the vigilance, watchfulness and patriotism of General D. B. Sweet, the father of the lady who has so well and so long conducted the pension agency in Chicago.

THERE is a vast amount of feeling being engendered throughout the country on account of the appointment of the unpardoned rebel Lawton as Minister to Russia, and the complaints reach far beyond the mere matter of hostility to this particular matter. A prominent gentleman at Washington expresses himself in this way:

It has come to pass that people care little about committing crimes against the government which disable them from holding office under it. Men have a law passed or get a pardon whenever they want to, and go along just as though nothing had happened. You find in every nook and cranny of the country thousands of people who are socialists, and who antagonize the government, and who wouldn't hesitate a moment to take up arms against, or falsely testify against, or betray it. They think it no crime, and believe that if it is they will be forgiven if they do oppose it. We shall never have a patriotic and united people until they are taught to protect, fear and respect the government, and realize that it is a serious thing to take up arms against it.

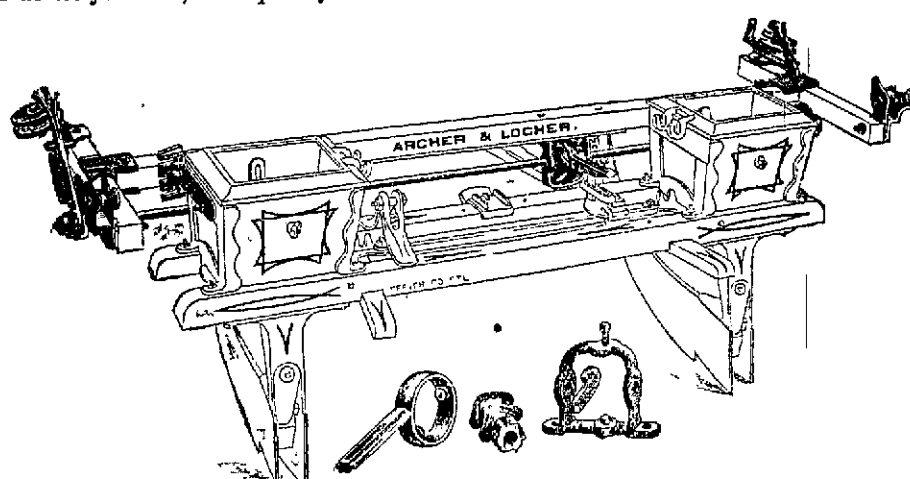
A Wonderful Freak of Nature Is sometimes exhibited in our public exhibitions. When we gaze upon some of the peculiar freaks of nature occasionally indulged in, our minds revert back to the creation of man, "who is so fearfully and wonderfully made." The mysteries of his nature have been unraveled by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, and through his knowledge of those mysteries he has been able to prepare his "Golden Medical Discovery," which is a specific for all blood taints, poisons and humors, such as scrofula, pimples, blotches, eruptions, swellings, tumors, ulcers and kindred affections. By druggists.

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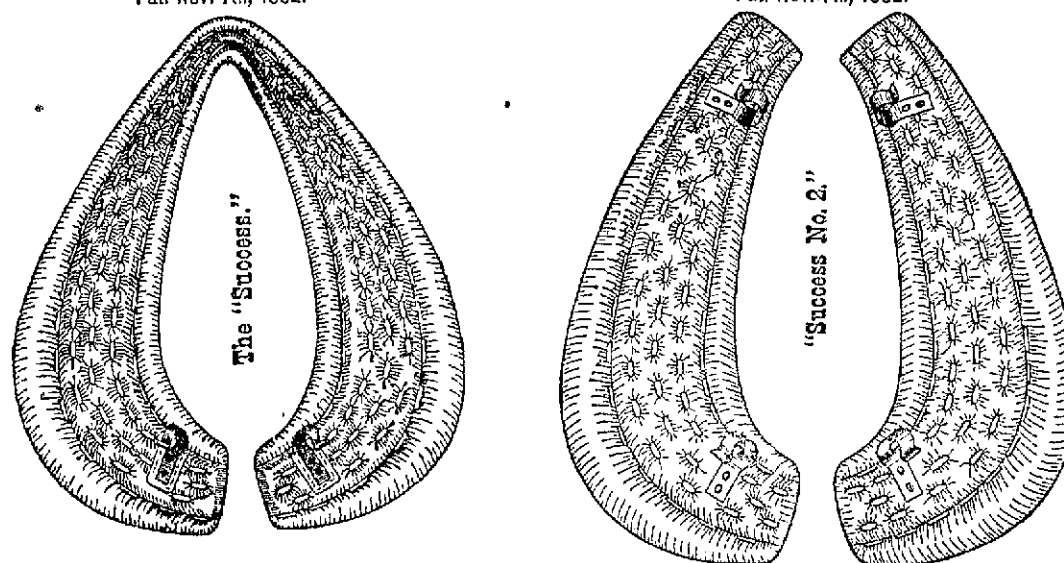
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Minister McLane's French. Globe-Democrat.

In appointing Mr. McLane to the French mission, the President seems to have been influenced, to some extent, by a desire to secure a man who knows the language and the people of the country. Mr. McLane resided in France for several years, during the war. We do not know at just what date he went over there, but it was not until after the attack on the Massachusetts troops by a mob in Baltimore, for he made a speech that day to his Baltimore fellow-citizens in which he alluded to the killed and wounded Union soldiers as "the invaders who have polluted the soil of Maryland."

Highway Commissioner's Statement.

To the Board of Town Auditors of the Town of Decatur, State of Illinois: The annual report of the Commissioners of Highways of said town for the year ending March 30, 1885.

RECEIPTS.	
Apr 21. From T. L. Antrim, ex-treas.	\$1174 90
May 27. From collector.	100 00
June 21. " " " "	1129 72
Aug 20. " " " "	22 00
Aug 21. " " " "	2037 45
Total receipts.	\$3413 07
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Road labor let district.	\$1200 30
" " " "	1822 20
" " " "	1024 35
" " " "	1822 25
Repairs tools.	\$408 98
Leather.	45 10
Tire.	294 95
Hardware.	49 61
Black and cement.	25 00
Surveying new road.	25 00
Livery.	12 00
Attorney's fee.	25 00
Legal adviser.	4 00
Two per cent. commission on disbursements.	119 00
Total disbursements.	\$3413 07
Total received.	\$3413 07
Total expended.	\$3413 07
Cash on hand.	\$2303 93
STATE OF ILLINOIS.	
ALABAMA COUNTY.	
I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement as I verily believe of my receipts as treasurer, and the source of said receipts, and also of the moneys by me paid out, and the purposes for which they were paid.	
C. M. CALDWELL.	
Subscribed and sworn before me this 31st day of March, 1885.	
B. McGOVERN, J. F.	

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SUNDAY last, at Cleveland, the Stillman House, worth \$300,000, and owned by Col. W. H. Harris, formerly of this city, D. P. Ellis, caught fire near the roof, and was damaged \$50,000, the guests losing \$15,000 damage by water, and the servants \$3,000. There was no insurance. It was considered entirely fire-proof, but the roof was burnt off.

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ers, \$2.08.
The Little Giant Eureka Wringer
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Willow clothes baskets, 65c, 75c,
and 98c.

Step ladders, 75c, 98c and \$1.08.
House brooms, 18", 20c and 22c.
Bird cages, 65c, 75c, 98c and \$1.18.
Grass bird cages, \$1.38, \$1.58 and
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Bird seed, 7c—4 for 25c.
2,500 wood toothpicks, 10c.
Express wagons, 98c, \$1.10 and
\$1.48.

Hoop skirts, 20c and 25c.
Wash boilers, \$1.10.
Clothes racks, 98c and 98c.
Whips, 12, 15, 25, 75 and 98c.
Not one-half real value.

Covered baskets, 19c, 28c and 38c.
Lamps, extra large, complete, 98c.
200 books at 55c, regular price,
\$1.25.

Cups and saucers, 40c.
Handsome line of decorated ware
to be sold in any quantity.
Splendid line of glass goblets at 6c.
White dress goods, 8c.
Full line of granite ware.
Overalls, 35c.

Just opened, over 500 school hats
for boys and girls, at about one-third
less than regular prices.

Don't buy a dollar's worth
until you visit this store.

THE FAIR.

April 7—City

THE SECRET OF DEATH.

[No apology is needed for reprinting Edwin
Arnold's most touching and most popular
poem.]

"She is dead," they said to him. "Come away:
Kiss her and leave her—she is clay."
They smoothed her tresses of dark brown hair,
On her forehead of stone they laid it fair.
Over her eyes that gazed too much
They drew the lids with a gentle touch.

With a tender touch they closed up well
The sweet, thin lips that had secrets to tell.
About her brow and beautiful face
They tied her veil and marriage lace;

They drew on her white feet the white silk
shoes—
Which were the whitest, no eyes could choose!
And over her bosom they crossed her hands—
"Come away," they said, "God understands!"

And there was silence, and nothing there
But silence, and scents of eglantine;
And jasmine, and roses, and rosemary;
And they said: "As a lady should lie, lies she."

And they held their breaths as they left the
room,
With a shudder, to glance at its silence and
gloom.

But he who loved her too well to dread
The sweet, the stately and beautiful dead,
He lit his lamp and took his key—
He turned it. Alone again—he and she.

He and she: but she would not speak;
Though he kissed in the old place the quiet
check.

He and she: yet she would not smile,
Though he called her the name she loved best
while.

He and she: still she did not move
To any passionate whisper of love,
Then he said: "Cold lips and breast without
breath—

Is there no voice, no language of death?
Dumb to the ear and still to the sense,
But to the heart and soul distinct, intense?"

See now: I will listen with soul, not ear—
What was the secret of dying, dear?
Was it the infinite wonder of all
That you ever could let life's flower fall?

Or, was it a greater marvel to feel
The perfect calm o'er the agony steal?
Was the miracle greater to find how deep,
Beyond all dreams, sank downward that sleep?

Did life roll back its record, dear?
And show, as they say it does, past things
clear?

And was it the innermost heart or the bliss
To find out what a wisdom true love is?
Oh, perfect dead! Oh, dear most dear!
I hold the breath of my soul to hear!

I listen as deep as the horrible hell,
As high as the heaven, and you do not tell!
There must be pleasure in dying, sweet,
To make you so placid from head to feet.

I would tell you, darling, if I were dead,
And twice your not tears on my brow shed.

I would say, though the angel of death had
hid
His sword on my lips to keep it unsaid,
You should not ask vainly, with streaming
eyes,
Which of all death was the chiefest surprise:

The very strangest and saddest thing
Of all surprises dying must bring.
Ah, foolish world! Oh, most unkind dead!
Though she told me, who will believe it was
said?

Who will believe what I heard her say,
With the sweet, soft voice, in the dear old way?
The utmost wonder is this: I hear
And see you, and love you, and kiss you, dear;
And know your angel, who was your bride,
And know that, the dead, I never have died.

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Swearingen & Hubbard can always be
relied upon, not only to carry in stock
the best of everything, but to secure the
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known merit, and are popular with the
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of being always enterprising, and ever re-
liable. Having secured the Agency for the
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Consumption, will sell it on a positive
guarantee. It will surely cure any affec-
tion of Throat, Lungs and Chest, and to
show our confidence, we invite you to call
and get a Trial Bottle Free.

Texas politicians run their eyes
over the long list of high offices
granted to New York with its 1,109
majority and then look at Dick Hub-
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cratic party. Missouri and Ken-
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I am now convinced after testing its
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The election seems to be a go-as-you-
please, everybody to enter.

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The Best Salve for the world for cuts,
bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever
sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains,
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sibly cures piles, or no pay required. It
is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction,
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bard.

F. M. ZIEBACH, the squatter Gov-
ernor of Dakota, is in Washington
with papers recommending him as
the Democratic successor to Gov-
ernor Pierce, but since he learned of
the President's way of ignoring ap-
plicants for office, he is keeping very
quiet and says he does not want an
office. Ziebach is one of the fellows
who last summer proposed that Da-
kota should secede and set up a gov-
ernment of its own.

A Mean Old General Routed.

Old "General Debility" has been put to
flight in Arkansas, with happy results.
From Brinkley, from Web City and from
Valentine Ridge, Messrs. P. R. Anderson,
E. M. Taylor, and F. S. Pinchbeck re-
spectively write that they were all afflicted
with general debility, and received
solid benefit from Brown's Iron Bitters.

This is pleasant to know, not only for
Arkansas people, but for all sections of
country where General Debility has
counted victims by the thousand. For
sale everywhere.

DIED.

At the home of her son, Samuel Edwards, 6
miles southwest of Decatur, on April 14, 1885,
of lung fever, Mrs. NANCY EDWARDS, aged 75
years.

The deceased was ill but a few days. She
was a sister of Uncle Green Hill, father of
Robert Hill. Her children are Jerome and
Samuel Edwards, of this county, and Horace
Edwards and Mrs. Richard Whitney, of Mis-
souri. She had lived in the county since 1830.

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PLYMOUTH ROCK EGGS: from pure bred
ducks, for sale at \$1.50 per setting of 12
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WOODBINE DENMARK.—This fine roa-
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April 1 to July 1, at the farm of J. M. Moffatt,
4 miles northwest of Boody and 8 1/2 miles
southwest of Decatur. He was formerly
owned by Robert McKay, was foaled in 1871, is
a beautiful brown, 16 hands high and well pro-
portioned, with fine style and good action. As
a three-year old he racked and paced a mile in
2:38 on the St. Louis track. He was sired by
Faint's Denmark, he by Sumpter's Denmark.
Faint's Denmark's dam was the mare McDon-
ough, her dam by Monmouth Bellipse; grand-
dam by Hatter, ag. dam by Buford's Alexan-
der, her dam by Hatter's Mares, he by im-
ported Sir Henry; eggs. dam by Old Union;
eggs. dam by imported Dabster. Woodbine
Denmark's dam was sired by Rynd's Ham-
bionian, her dam by Enoch's Messenger,
grand-dam by Scott's Bertram, his dam by
Chief Justice Bellipse.

Terms—\$10 to insure, payable March 1, 1886.
If not paid when due to draw 5 per cent in-
terest. Care taken, but no responsibility assumed.
Rogersmen are specially invited to call and
inspect this fine animal, which is a saddle and
roadster horse is not equalled by any.

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Having had ample experience, it is with
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the farmers of Macon and adjoining counties
as a successful and practical auctioneer of
farm property. Satisfaction guaranteed or no
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THE PURE BRED IMPORTED
CLYDESALE STALLION,
MAZEPPA; (1760) 699.

Will stand the season of 1885 at the farm of A.
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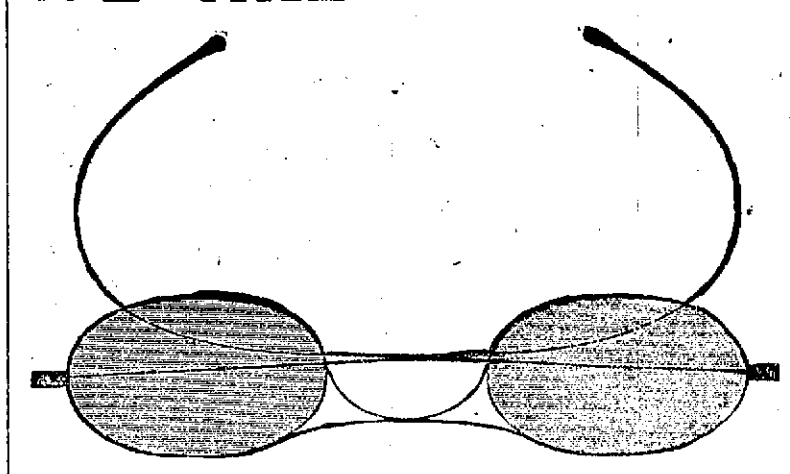
DESCRIPTION AND PEDIGREE.
MAZEPPA will be seven years old in June,
and will weigh 2,000 pounds; color, a beauti-
ful dark dapple bay, with star in face and
black legs. He has immense bone and for
style and action cannot be surpassed. Has
proven a sure sire, and his colts are giving the
highest satisfaction. He was bred in Scotland,
and sired by the renowned horse PRINCE OF
WALES (673) 437, the most popular sire in
Scotland.

Also will stand the fine young Jack, STAR
OF THE EAST, which has proved to be a No.
1 breeder.

TERMS TO INSURE.
Mazeppa, \$20; Jack, \$10—money due May 1,
1886. If not paid when due to draw interest at
8 per cent per annum. Mares mated with or
removed before known to be with foal forfeit
the insurance. All possible care will be taken
to prevent accidents or escapes, but will not
be responsible should any occur. Pasture for
mares at reasonable rates.

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To fit almost any one with the BEST Spec-
tacles that can be had, and at REASONA-
BLE prices.

We would ask our trade in the
country and towns surrounding De-
catur to please keep in mind that we
can give you the very best Steel
Spectacles with silver nose-piece and
finest

FRENCH CRYSTAL LENSES,

for \$2.50, and the same lenses in
SOLID GOLD FRAMES.

FROM \$5.00 TO \$7.50.

We would like to ask our patrons
to keep these prices in mind when
they are besieged by the numerous
spectacle peddlers now making the
rounds of the country, giving a
lengthy "Song and Dance" about
"Scotch Quartz," "Brazilian Pebble,"
and all that sort of stuff, claiming to
be Dr. Somebody or another, and
getting enormous prices for, in many
instances, inferior goods to those we
offer above.

We have all the appliances to fit
any eye that can be fitted. We guar-
antee not only the fit, but the quality.

Respectfully,

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In very large and splendid variety.

SHEETINGS, SHIRTINGS, GINGHAMS, PRINTS,

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Ladies' Muslin UNDERWEAR,

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Lace Curtains, Velvets, Jerseys, Children's LACE
CAPS, PARASOLS, Men's Unlaundered SHIRTS,
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DRESS SILKS in Black and Colors.

Every department is complete and embraces varieties and quantities
second to no retail house in the central part of the State, and sufficient to
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Should examine our goods, and as prices
are of vital importance, call and judge
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MERCHANT ST.

A PREMIUM of 12 yds of the best Calico

or fancy worsted dress goods,
of good quality, and of your own selection, will
be given to each customer buying \$5.00 worth or
over.

Dec. 20—d&wtf **JEWELER**

LET ME

WHISPER IN YOUR EAR

That Fred. Norman, the Barber, is selling Star and Horseshoe Tobacco at 50 cents per pound, and tickets to the grand donation thrown in the bargain.

NORMAN'S 10-CHAIR BARBER SHOP,

One Door East of Postoffice, DECATUR, ILLS.
Jan. 21, 1885—wtl



J. R. RACE & CO.'S

NEW CUTTER,

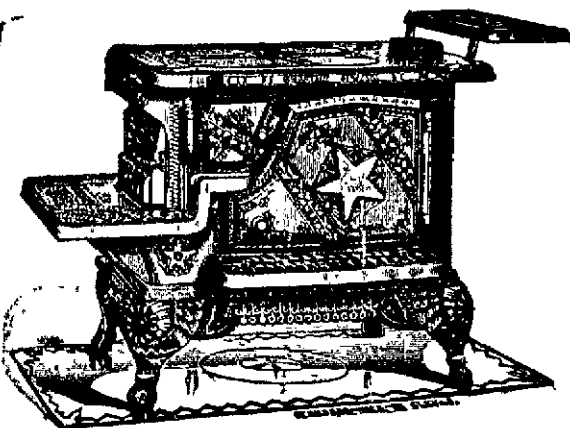
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GOLDEN STAR Cook, plain top, like above cut, for coal or wood. We also keep the same with reservoir. ELEGANT in design, extra large oven, most perfect baker—in fact a first-class stove in every respect.

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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

A little linsseed meal, given occasionally, will help to keep a horse's coat bright and glossy.—*Troy Times.*

It is said that a piece of ground set out in black walnut and allowed to remain twenty years, will yield a larger profit than in any other mode of investment on a farm.

Table castors are out of date. In lieu thereof are all sorts of pretty novelties in the form of bottles, flasks and crucibles for holding oil, vinegar, salt, pepper and all sorts of condiments.—*Chicago Journal.*

When an orchard ceases bearing while the trees are still sound and healthy, it is quite certain that labor and manure applied in restoring it to productiveness will pay better than anywhere else on the farm. A young orchard may be manured too highly.—*Hartford Courant.*

A hot, baked bean salad is made by serving the well browned and luscious beans with the same bulk of crisp cabbages minced fine—the latter to be seasoned with salt and vinegar and so little mustard and sugar that no one will be certain there is any.—*Hartford Courant.*

The hull of barley is very hard, and this grain should, therefore, always be ground or boiled before feeding. If fed whole more of it will be voided intact than of any other grain. Boiling, however, is quite as good as grinding. The grain expands, so that instead of losing the toll the farmer gains an increase in bulk.—*N. E. Farmer.*

Cows should be turned out a little while every day for exercise, no matter how cold the weather may be. If confined in stables day and night they cannot develop heat to resist chilling winds, and will shiver at the slightest draught of air. Farmers recognize the necessity for exercising horses in winter, but a small amount of exercise is equally important for cows.—*Exchange.*

Splendid Fruit Cake: Three pounds of sugar; three pounds of butter, a little over three pounds of flour, twenty-four eggs; six pound of currants; two pounds of raisins, chopped fine; one pound of citron; one pound of sweet almonds, blanched and cut thin; one pound of lemon peel; orange peel; quarter ounce of mace; quarter ounce of nutmeg; a cup of fruit syrup. It will take four hours to bake in a moderate oven. Frost with almond icing.—*The Household.*

A Western farmer gives his remedy for the killing of sheep by dogs. Nothing provokes a man so much as to kill his dog. Whenever a sheep of mine is killed in the pasture I consider for the sake of peace that it is wolves that have done it. I leave my dead sheep where I found it and place a lot of stovepipe in it in order to catch the wolves when they return. By some accident I find a large number of my neighbors' dogs lying dead upon the premises. My neighbors lose their dogs and regret that their good honest dogs should be eating poisoned mutton that I had placed in my pasture for wolves. This treatment has made a wonderful reform in dogs in my neighborhood.

GIRLS AND MOTHERS.

An American Trait for Which It is Hard to Find a Reason.

The reason why girls like to be left so much to themselves is that mothers are not the fashion. There are many causes for this, all having root in one fact, which is that the American mother gives too much to her children and expects too little in return. She robs them of all opportunity of paying her those attentions which warm their hearts and keep them always in a respectful attitude towards her. As for papa, he is too busy to know much about his children. When he does notice anything it is generally with irritation. A boy sometimes is troublesome, is unruly. Papa finds a school to put him in, generally away from home. The personal influence, the controlling power, is paid for in the school bill. This servitude of parents, this inability to control, is purely an American trait, for which it is hard to find a reason. They do not love their children any more than in former times. I think not so much. To papa the children are an enigma he can not solve, and mamma seems to say, "Let me slave for you, and you may do what you please." Children generally take very kindly to this division of labor. Parents seem to wish to busy themselves about their children without calling out any response in return. It is a sealing up, a locking of the doors of the heart, which must make selfish men and women. I once saw a thoughtless young mother teach her baby boy to slap her, because, she said, "he looked so saucy, so cunning, when he did it." In the future may there never come a sob about her heart which she can trace to this "saucy, cunning little way" which made her laugh then. When these children grow up and go into the world they choose their parents unmercifully. They often and by being heartily ashamed of them. Judging by the want of breeding in some of these sons and daughters one would think they had taken a just and not respectful estimate of them. These young persons have disputed, have argued every step of life with each other and with their parents, till they are all personality and individuality, and you feel as if you were beating your head out against rocks to come in contact with them. They have taken the spirit of their parents in an undignified way towards life at large. Neither mothers nor fathers nor older persons are the fashion with them at any time, and when they take themselves into society they are as sufficient for themselves there as anywhere else. The young men of this bringing up will not talk to girls who sit by "the old lady" at a party. She would be sure to "put her car in." So the girls see that if they go alone they will shake down into having a pleasant time. Hence it grows to this, that if mamma speaks she is "finding fault," if she asks a question she is not answered. That is "prying." If she dares to joke she is looked at as if she had said "something silly."—*Boston Budget.*

Monster Hogs.

A New Jersey paper says: The rivalry among the raisers of heavy porkers in Burlington county, New Jersey, has been greater this year than ever before, and three of the leading farmers of New Hanover township have been contending fiercely for the championship, which entitles the winner to the gold medal offered by a Trenton firm of pork-packers, the winner to hold it for three years against all competitors. Joseph Carter killed his hogs recently, and 20 averaged 1,843 pounds, the heaviest weighing 1,059 pounds. It was conceded next to impossible to exceed this average. But Taylor Devinney, who lives near Wrights town, achieved the honor of having raised the heaviest lot on record. Four of the heaviest weighed 1,025, 1,035, 1,055 and 1,079 pounds respectively as they hung on the shambles dressed, and with the remaining sixteen the average of the twenty was 872 pounds. The lightest hog in the lot weighed 739 pounds. These weights are net, after deducting the gambrel and stretcher. The measurement of the large hog was 5 feet 9 inches from the ear to the ham, and the girth was 7 feet 5 inches. They were of the Jersey red variety, and were pigged in May, 1883, so that they were not two years old. In addition to these hogs Mr. Devinney killed eight pigs, not yet a year old, that weighed from 395 to 520 pounds.

YOUNG MEN—READ THIS.

THE VOLTAIC BELT Co., of Marshall, Mich., offer to send their celebrated ELKORO-VOLTAIC BELT and other ELKORO APPLIANCES on TRIAL for thirty days, to men (young or old) afflicted with nervous debility, loss of vitality and manhood, and all kindred troubles. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete restoration to health, vigor and manhood guaranteed. No risk is incurred, as, thirty days trial is allowed. Write them at once for illustrated pamphlet free. dec15-dead&wlyr

The Rebels on Top.

From the Albany Evening Journal. Of the nineteen men from the South nominated to office by President Cleveland, thus far fourteen were Confederate soldiers. Of twenty-seven men from the North nominated for office only four served in the Union army. Copperheads and Confederates to the front.

When you go to Kansas City or any town in Kansas, take the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Line. Reaching Char cars free from Delevan or Peoria. No change to make at night. For full particulars call on or write to H. W. Shimer, agent. Excursions to Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Dakota and Montana, via this line. March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28. 19-daw to April 28

Gentlemen with Easter eggs in their coat-tail pockets should be sure they are thoroughly cooked. One southerner man who imitated a spring hen in a southerner street car met with disaster.

Are you going to build? If so, no matter how small your house, a mantel or two, with a nice hearth to suit, is an inexpensive luxury, not only adding largely in ornamenting your rooms, but is an economical method of heating, and insures perfect ventilation. We would be pleased to show you our stock.

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New Goods and Latest Styles.

I am now receiving my spring styles of caesumers, cloths, etc, and am prepared to furnish not only the best goods, American or imported, but the neatest and most stylish fit in the city. I have a well selected stock and refer to my many patrons for recommendations.

JAMES VEALE,

French Cutter from Cork,

Feb. 28-d&w2m Ullrich's Block.

FRESH oysters by dish or can, at J. H. Krebs, 146 East Prairie street. 19-d&wtf

BYRON'S Suits, a specialty, at Cheap Charley's.

NOTICE.

All parties desiring to go West to any point in Kansas and Nebraska, or Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota, New Mexico or California, or Arizona, should not fail to call at the Wabash ticket office, or on Thos. Bivans, Excursion Agent, over post office, Decatur, Ill. Excursions March 24 and 31, and April 7, 14, 21 and 28. Rocking chairs from here to Kansas City or Council Bluffs; direct routes and no night changes. mar-20 d&wtf

When wheat sells in the markets at \$5 and 80 cents it means \$5 and 60 cents to the farmer that raises it. Those who have had experience know that the farmers cannot live and prosper with such prices. Whenever wheat sells below \$1.00 it is below a production price. It is not strange, with short crops and threatened war, wheat is reaching upward to something nearer its intrinsic value.

The Prettiest Lady in Decatur. Remarked to a friend the other day that she knew Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lung's was a superior remedy, as it stopped her cough instantly when others had no effect whatever. So to prove this Dr. A. J. Stoner, druggist, No. 14 south side new square, will guarantee it to all. Price 50 cents and \$1. Trial size free. b2

We now have plenty of Canvas and Leather Satchels for roller skates. MORRISON, WELLS & Co.

CARPETS, in Brussels, Moquette and Ingrain, very handsome and very cheap at Linn & Sonrags. a2-d&wtf

CHARLEY BRYAN would be pleased to have his friends call and see him at John Irwin's White Front. 6-d&wtf

BURT & MEARS' Gent's Hand Sewed Shoes at L. L. Ferriss & Co's. daw

LEAVITT & ROYAL have removed to the building occupied by V. H. Parke. March 10-d&wtf

TOM SMITH'S LETTER.

Glimpses of California From the Pen of a Decatur Boy.

The perfection of a spring afternoon tempted me to remove the reproach of my one hundred and ninety five pounds, avoid the fumes from the presence of the emaciated invalids at the hotel, and do my work under the shadow of the mesa across the harbor. The light house on Point Loma would give a more inspiring view but it would also give half a dozen curious tourists, chatty as magpies. But whatever places around the city one chooses in which to pass an afternoon, matters little. For all are pretty, pleasant and picturesque. In common with all California cities San Diego's great claim to consideration is her climate. Her climate has advantages over all other parts of the state, though grudgingly by many localities, universally recognized upon this coast. The climate is a perpetual source of wonder to residents on the best authority: During the five years from 1875 to 1880, inclusive, containing 1827 days, there were 1780 days on which the mercury did not rise above 80 degrees. During the same period there were not more than four days in any one month in which the mercury raised over 80 degrees. The highest the mercury has ever been known to raise (in the shade) was 84 degrees. There are no extremes of heat or cold. Daily winds are neither wanting nor are they piercing and tempestuous. The atmosphere is neither moist nor very dry. Heavy fogs are unknown. The combined requirements of even and moderate warmth, of regular gentle motion of wind, and of an almost constant atmosphere humidity of the desirable mean, makes San Diego one of the most charming health resorts in the world.

THE CITY occupies a beautiful site on the northeastern side of a circular land-locked bay. A gentle slope leads up from the waters edge for three or four blocks, then the ascent is sharper, and soon becomes broken and uneven. The better class of dwellings are built upon these hills, from which a fine view of the town, harbor and ocean is obtained. The size and style of the buildings in San Diego, are, disappointments to a Californian who sees the town for the first time. In the main, it is a one story town, devoid of architecture, beauty and toweringly built. It covers a large area of ground but contains only a little over four thousand inhabitants. The city is the only municipal organization in the state. The change of place took place July 7, 1884, and San Diego became an American town. The growth of the city to-day, dates from 1887, as up to that time there consisted of only a small mission and military post.

THE MISSION. No visitor to San Diego must miss seeing the Old Mission, six miles up the river from the city. The ruins are among the most interesting, and the best preserved of any on the shores of the Pacific. Under the direction of Father Serra, the mission was built in 1769. The massive walls of burned brick, twelve inches square, ball fair to last as long as the Pyramids of Egypt. In company with Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Wills and Will L. Shefflar, I spent an afternoon among the deserted halls and silent corridors of the mission. The tiling of the roof was almost concealed beneath moss, but the heavy timbers, fancifully carved, seemed only to have been put in a few years. Doubtless Will S. will exhibit a specimen of this artistic work on his return to Decatur. He has one. Several swarms of bees occupy the ruins in the peaceful company of a band of sheep. Surrounding the old pile is a grove of olives and palms, which dates back to the establishment of the church. Some of the palms, of a variety unknown elsewhere on the coast, are more than a hundred feet in height. The olive trees still bear abundantly, and are a fruitful source of revenue to their present owner.

THE NATIONAL LINE between the United States and Mexico runs twelve miles south of the city, and may be reached by a good carriage road. A trip down in Lower California will vary the monotony of life in this section. You can make this little foreign tour and get home in less than twelve hours.

THE SURROUNDINGS. There is no lack of diversion or invigorating exercise outside of the city. Superb hunting and fishing may be had. Within a couple of miles ride good shooting abundance—quail, ducks, geese, snipe and rabbits, and a little further door are started. If you have lost a bear no doubt you would not have to hunt long in the mountains before you found him. If you are fond of muskels you can get them, "large, juicy ones," the tourist guides say, at the Mussel Beds, six miles off the coast. Our party however could not find even any mean, little, half starved muskels; but all the same muskels are counted among the attractions of the place. The caves of La Jolla, twelve miles from the city, are curious freaks of nature. The caves are very visible at low tide. Remarkably beautiful sea mosses are gathered all about the caves.

THE HARBOR. Next to that of San Francisco, no harbor on the Pacific Coast of the United States approximates in excellence the Bay of San Diego. The bottom is uniformly good. No rocks have been discovered in the bay or approaches. The position of the bay with relation to the coast and of the bar with relation to Point Loma is such that there is rarely much of a swell on the bar. Large vessels can go about 7 miles (geographical) up the bay with an average width of channel of 800 yards between four fathom lines at low water. The depth over the bar is twenty-three feet. The harbor affords ample accommodation for a very large commerce. It is the only land-locked harbor south of Francisco and north of San Quentin, Lower California. For boating and rowing there is no place comparable with this bay. Its smooth, unruffled waters are a safeguard against the accidents of sudden squalls and wind gusts so fatal elsewhere. If there is anything delightfully romantic it is a moonlight boating party on San Diego Bay. There is no finer fishing on the coast. Trolling for barracouts is the fun. Dr. Waltz, Will S. and I went out for barracouts beyond the bar one afternoon. Will got forty-eight fishes, Dr. forty-two, and I got seasick.

NOTES. The town has no street railroad, no gas or electric light company. It is brimful of lawyers, physicians, dentists, and overruns with "gentlemen of the press." There are now two dailies, and two more are soon to spring up to flourish for a day, sicken and die. The following denominations have church edifices—Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist, Methodist South, Episcopal, Unitarian and Roman Catholic. The school facilities are excellent. Society is established and good. Generally one meets people of cultivation, refinement and general social qualities. Social gatherings are marked by cordiality and freedom from restraint. Visitors are made to feel at home, and those who pass a season in San Diego carry away pleasant recollections and a strong desire to return. TOM O. SMITH. San Diego, Cal., April 1, 1885.

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nois, to the April term, A. D., 1885.

Application for Appointment of a Conservator for Florence L. Prather alleged to be insane.

NOTICE is hereby given to you, the said Florence L. Prather, that a petition has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of said county of Macon, by Edmund S. McDonald, a resident of Decatur, in said county, for the appointment of Edmund S. McDonald, or some other person, to be Conservator for you, the said Florence L. Prather, which petition, among other things, alleges that you are unfit to properly manage or control your property. In the County Court of said county, to be held at the Court House in the City of Decatur, in said county, on the 21st day of May, in the month of April, A. D., 1885, and show cause, if any, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

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